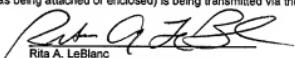


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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT
AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 8, 2008, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Species 8, shown in Fig. 7, for continued examination without traverse. Claims 1, 2, 4, 11 and 13-16 read on the elected species.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.